GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3118
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PAYMENT OF INSURANCE CLAIM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the dependents of the dead fishermen all over the country get Rs.35000/- as insurance claims from Government of India`s Rashtriya Machuara Sahyog Samiti, New Delhi;

(b) if so, whether the Director of Fisheries, Bihar have requested to release payment of the said amount to the dependents of the fishermen of the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken by the Government to release the claim?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The centrally sponsored Group Accident Insurance Scheme for Active Fishermen implemented through National Federation of Fishermen Cooperative Limited (FISHCOPFED) in all the states including Bihar provides insurance cover against accidental death o total/partial permanent disability for an annual premium of Rs.14/- per beneficiary equally shared by the Central Government and the State Governments concerned. The insurance claim has been revised from Rs.35000 to Rs.50000 in case of accidental death or total permanent disability w.e.f. 10-12-2000.

(b)&(c): The release of payment to the dependents of the active fisherman enrolled under the scheme, in case of accidental death or permanent disability is a continuous process. The claims received with requisite documents from the State Governments are settled within the stipulated time frame. Under this scheme, a sum of Rs.11,00,000/- has been paid to 34 families of fishermen in Bihar State up to 15th July 2002.